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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON ILO BUDGET AND CUBAN CANDIDACY FOR ILO
GOVERNING BODY: JORDAN

REF: A. STATE 94801

[B](#). STATE 94763

[1](#)1. Poloff delivered ref A and B demarches to Foreign Ministry Legal Advisor Bishar Khassawneh regarding the upcoming International Labor Conference in Geneva. Khassawneh noted that Jordan shares U.S. concerns over International Labor Organization (ILO) budgetary increases. Poloff urged that the Jordanian delegation at the conference support U.S. efforts to further cut the proposed increases.

[1](#)2. Poloff also asked for Jordan's support of Barbados's candidacy to the ILO Governing Body, over that of Cuba. Talking points, in the form of non-papers, were left for both issues. Khassawneh promised to pass these to other concerned parties in the Foreign Ministry, and to the Ministry of Labor (whose leadership is currently out of the country) and to advise the USG once Jordan's position is decided.

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